

Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following new paragraph on page 1 after line 6 and before the caption "Background of the Invention":

STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSERED RESEARCH OR DEVELOPEMENT

The government may own rights to this invention pursuant to Grant No. R33 CA095883 from the National Cancer Institute (NCI), Dept. of Health and Human Services.

Please replace the paragraph on page 36, lines 28-33, with the following amended paragraph:

(iii) Oligopeptides, polypeptides, amino acids and other protein components or protein fragments. ~~Representative examples of peptides are YRALVDTLK (SEQ ID NO:22), YAKFRETLEDTRDRMY (SEQ ID NO:23) and RALVDTEFKVKQEAGAK (SEQ ID NO:24), which selectively bind atherosclerotic plaque. The peptides NDGDFEEIPEEYLQ (SEQ ID NO:25) and GPRG (SEQ ID NO:26) bind thrombus. Peptides such as PLYKKHKLLS (SEQ ID NO:27) bind platelets.~~